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REQUEST EMBASSY PASS FOLLOWING LETTER TO GRISHAEV WITH COPY
TO KAZAKOV:

JUNE 15, 1978 02.05-31

DR. M. P. GRISHAEV
DEPUTY DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF LAND UTILIZATION
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DEAR DR. GRISHAEV:

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF MAY 19.

WE ARE PREPARED TO RECEIVE THREE SOVIET SPECIALISTS IN JULY AS YOU SUGGEST, AND WOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE THE FOLLOWING ITINERARY:

JULY 11 - ARRIVE NEW YORK CITY.

JULY 12 - TRAVEL TO BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA.

JULY 13 - VISIT AGRICULTURE RESEARCH SERVICE, MANDAN, NORTH DAKOTA.

JULY 14 - MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY, BOZEMAN, MONTANA.

JULY 15 - HYDROLOGIC AND RECLAMATION RESEARCH, COLSTRIP, MONTANA.

JULY 16 - TOUR OF YELLOWSTONE PARK.

JULY 17 - DENVER, COLORADO.

JULY 18 - STAUNTON, ILLINOIS, ARGONNE NATIONAL LABORATORIES RECLAMATION RESEARCH.

JULY 19 - FARMINGTON, ILLINOIS, COAL MINE RECLAMATION.

JULY 20 - CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, ARGONNE NATIONAL LABORATORIES, TREATMENT OF ACID WATER.

JULY 21 - UNIVERSITY OF WEST VIRGINIA, MORGANTOWN, WEST VIRGINIA.

JULY 22 - UNIVERSITY OF WEST VIRGINIA, MORGANTOWN, RECLAMATION RESEARCH, ACID DRAINAGE TREATMENT.

JULY 23 - WASHINGTON, DC, LEAVE FOR MOSCOW.

PLEASE LET ME KNOW WHETHER THIS PROGRAM IS SATISFACTORY. I WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE RECEIVING FROM YOU PROMPTLY THE UNCLASSIFIED

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NAMES AND CREDENTIALS OF THE SOVIET DELEGATES.

FOUR US SPECIALISTS WOULD LIKE TO VISIT THE USSR FOR A PERIOD OF 13 DAYS BEGINNING ABOUT AUGUST 1. THEIR NAMES AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION REGARDING THEIR SPECIALTIES WILL BE PROVIDED SOON.

IN THE INTEREST OF BROADENING OUR EXPOSURE TO SOVIET RECLAMATION PROGRAMS, I WOULD LIKE TO SUBMIT FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION THE FOLLOWING LIST OF AREAS IN THE USSR WHICH THE US SIDE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN VISITING:

1. SURFACE MINING AND RECLAMATION.
2. IRON ORE MINING AND RECLAMATION - BELGORODSKAYA OBLAST
3. LIGNITE MINING AND RECLAMATION - WESTERN UKRAINE AREA.
4. KUZNETSK COAL BASIN MINING AND RECLAMATION - WESTERN SIBERIA.
5. PHOSPHORITE MINING AND RECLAMATION.
6. BROWN COAL MINING AND RECLAMATION - UKRAINE.

I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THESE AREAS AS YOU PLAN THE PROGRAM FOR THIS VISIT.

I APPRECIATE VERY MUCH YOUR INTEREST AND CONTINUED COOPERATION IN THIS IMPORTANT JOINT WORK AND LOOK FORWARD TO THE UPCOMING EXCHANGE OF DELEGATIONS.

WITH BEST REGARDS.

SINCERELY,

DON CALHOUN NEWSOM

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